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## **DETAILED ACTION**

1. The reply filed on 11/25/2005 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the Examiner acknowledges the election of claims 1-37 (group I) and the election of the Second Embodiment (species B), as laid out in Figures 6-12, however two issues remain unresolved.

- 2. First, Applicant has stated that claims 1-16 and 38-39 are readable on the Second Embodiment (B), but claims 4 and 13 mention a biasing spring that is (a) not pictured and (b) specifically mentioned in the specification as being omitted and replaced by a spring clamp in the Second Embodiment (paragraph 46, lines 9-10). Thus it appears that claims 4 and 13 should also be withdrawn from consideration per the election of the Second Embodiment (species B).
- 3. Second, Applicant has not chosen between claims directed towards (i) a trigger guard pivotally mounted to the pivoting block, or (ii) a lever movably mounted to the pivoting block. With respect to the elected claims of the Second Embodiment above, it appears that claims 1-7 are drawn to a trigger guard (i), and that claims 8-16 are drawn to a lever (ii). Applicant is directed to choose between these two species.
- 4. <u>See</u> 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE** (1) **MONTH or THIRTY** (30) **DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Stewart T. Knox whose telephone number is (571)272-8235. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday, 7:00 AM to 5:30 PM.

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